

THE RILEY BUGLE CALL

Community Action Council 21 January 2004 9:30am Soldier & Family Support Center

Welcome - Introductory Remarks
COL John A. Simpson, Jr.
Garrison Commander, Fort Riley, Kansas

Presentation
Army One Source
Volunteer Recognition

Announcements

Irwin Army Community Hospital (IACH)

- We continue to work through challenges associated with providing healthcare both to those remaining at Fort Riley as well as those soldiers mobilizing and demobilizing through Fort Riley on their way into or returning from the Southwest Asia theater of operations. IACH continues to experience losses of health care providers and support staff to deployments and as always continues to work diligently to augment these losses and to mitigate the effect of this installation's continuing mobilization mission on appointments in our facility, specifically in the Primary Care clinics. Fort Riley is currently scheduled to receive large numbers of Soldiers from both the reserve component and the Active Duty force returning from both Southwest Asia and from European deployments. These soldiers will require extremely intense medical processing which will place a large demand our facility. In an attempt to mitigate this effect we continue to authorize our beneficiaries access to the local TRICARE network and continue to request or contract for additional medical and support staff from other installations and the local community to assist in meeting your healthcare needs in a timely manner.
- Flu shots are again being given to Fort Riley families and eligible military retirees at Irwin Army Community Hospital until supplies last. Shots will be administered in Primary Care Clinic number 3 on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 7:45-11:15am and from 1:00-3:45pm, on Tuesday from 1:00-3:45pm, and on Friday from 7:45-11:15am. Patients are again reminded to bring their medical records with them when attempting to obtain this immunization. Department of the Army Civilian (DAC) employees are invited to obtain the flu vaccine from the Occupational Health clinic daily (excluding Saturday and Sunday) from 7:30-08:30am on a walk-in basis. Additionally, (DAC) employees may walk-in to the clinic at any time during normal business hours but may be required to wait based on mission requirements if the visit is scheduled outside of the above-dedicated flu shot schedule.
- IACH will begin offering patients the ability to obtain specific non-prescription medication from the Outpatient Pharmacy without first seeing a healthcare provider. Beneficiaries wishing to participate in this program must first complete the Patient Medication Self-Care Program. The MEDDAC sponsored Patient Medication Self-Care Program is scheduled to begin January 20th.

Fort Riley beneficiaries will be able to schedule an appointment to attend a Self-Care class at IACH in preventative medicine January 20th 10:00-11:00am. In order to attend the class please call the TRICARE appointment system at 784-1200 and ask to attend the Self-Care Class. Self-Care classes will focus on wellness and preventative health care measures. Self-Care class attendees will receive a Self-Care manual for future reference to help make decisions to seek medical care or access the Self-Care process. Only beneficiaries who attend the class are eligible to access Self-Care medications at the Main Outpatient or CTMC Pharmacy by completing a request for medications and presenting a completion card for the Self-Care class to the Pharmacy Staff along with a Military ID Card. Quantity limitations for medications are 3 medication selections per family member every 30 days. For questions and concerns please contact 239-7411, 239-7520 or 239-4411.

- A new feature associated with the MEDDAC and with the TRICARE health plan is the advent of TRICARE On Line or TOL. TOL allows patients the opportunity to book certain types of appointments through the Internet. In order to utilize this feature of TRICARE you must first register in the online system. You must go to the TOL website at <a href="https://www.tricareon.org/www.tricareon.o
- In our effort to become more responsive to the needs of our beneficiaries, IACH has redesigned several aspects of our Obstetric clinic. We now offer a one on one orientation of our OB service to each of our newly pregnant or incoming expectant moms. This improvement in our service allows both our patients and staff the opportunity to get to know each other and to discuss the unique aspects of our service and how we can best meet the expectations of each of our patients. Within the next several months we will begin the transition to a more modern Labor Delivery Recovery and Postpartum (LDRP) model for deliveries in our facility. In order to accomplish this transition we will relocate the labor and delivery ward as well as the and post partum (3B) ward of our facility from the 3rd floor to the 5th floor and will completely renovate and modernize the 3rd floor. This renovation will allow us to offer a more consolidated service that has been proven to be more patient centered. Under the new LDRP model our patients will labor, deliver, recover, and complete their post-partum care all in the same warm, inviting, relaxing, private room. We are confident that the updates to this service, both current and planned, will serve to exceed your expectations. Questions regarding our redesigned OB orientation service should be directed to the OB clinic at 239-7794.
- To facilitate our appointment booking process and maximize appointment availability, we
 continue to remind our patients of the appointment types that we have available.
 - A Routine appointment is the initial appointment with your primary care provider for a specific injury or illness. A Routine appointment has an access standard of seven days.
 - A Specialty appointment is the initial appointment with a specialty provider (General Surgery, Orthopedics, etc.) for a specific injury or illness. A Specialty appointment has an access standard of 30 days.
 - An Established appointment is a follow-up appointment for either a Routine or Specialty appointment. Your provider designates the access standard for an Established appointment (1 week, 2 weeks, 10 days, etc.).

- A Wellness appointment is for health promotion services such as Pap Smears, Physical Exams, etc. A Wellness appointment has an access standard of 30 days.
- O An Acute appointment is for an illness or injury that does not require emergent care, but must be evaluated within 24-hours. All Acute appointment requests are initially evaluated by a triage nurse who determines whether an Acute or Routine appointment is necessary. An Acute appointment has an access standard of 24 hours.
- Patients who are unsure if their condition requires an appointment or who would rather attempt home or self care should call the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line at 1-888-887-4111. This service is offered free of charge to all TRICARE beneficiaries who need advice on their medical condition. This service may be an invaluable tool for determining if your specific set of symptoms require an appointment with a healthcare professional and may help you to avoid waiting in the Emergency Room only to discover you or your family member has a condition which may be managed effectively at home using over the counter remedies.

Directorate of Community Activities

Business Operations

- Custer Hill Golf Course Bldg. 5202 Normandy (785) 784-6000
 - Membership Savings for Golf: The golf course is in excellent condition, the only problem is the weather is now cold and fewer golfers are enjoying use of the facility. The hours of operation will be changing to meet the needs of the facilities and to keep our costs low. You can help us by becoming a member during this time of year. The golf course will be keeping memberships intact for the coming year. An annual membership is very reasonable and allows one to play golf at any time only by registering when coming out to play. It would take about 40 rounds of golf to equal a membership, so the sooner you join, the sooner you can enjoy your golf.
 - Although memberships remain the same price for the coming year, the cost of our 10-Play Cards will be rising to \$10, and E1-E4 prices will be \$7 for weekday play and \$10 for weekend play. All other weekday and weekend prices will remain the same at \$13 and \$15. You can save by becoming either a member of the golf course or a 10-Play member—your choice. The savings will only come with your continued use and play on our course.
 - Of Golf Instruction: It may seem strange to think about golf during this time of year, but little changes you make with holding the golf club, swinging, chipping and putting now will be much easier to use when spring begins. Tapes and swing aides are the best method for improving your golf game. Visualizing, imagining and watching your golf swing and professional's golf swings can make dramatic changes to your game. Contact our contract golf professional will be scheduling clinics in the spring. If you are interested in signing up, call the golf course at 239-5412.
 - Operating Hours:

Tuesday – Sunday – 10:00am-5:30pm Monday – Closed

 The golf course is weather dependent. We will not be open in case of inclement weather. We are trying to keep our costs down to allow us to better serve you during the season.

Rally Point 2600 Trooper Drive (785) 784-5434

- Regular events planned are the following:
 - Krazy Karaoke every Wednesday and 10-cent wings
 - Request Night every Thursday
 - Family Night every Friday 5:00-8:00pm
 - Mixed Dance Night Fridays 8:00pm ++
 - Late Nite Program Every Friday & Saturday (11:00pm)
 - Variety Dance Night Saturday 8:00 11:00pm
 - Late Nite with Monroe 11:00pm 4:00am
 - NFL Football Games and Primo's Ala Carte Service on Sunday
- o Coming Events: Super Bowl Sunday (Feb 1)- Doors open at 3:00pm with door prizes and a buffet for \$5.95 (Adults), \$3.95 (Children). The buffet does not include a beverage.
- Plan for your Unit Function at Rally Point! Contact staff at 784-5434 if you want to have a unit function in Rally Point. We are willing to help you any way we

Custer Hill Lanes Bldg. 7485 Normandy (785) 239-4366

- o Come experience the difference for your "First Choice" as an entertainment place to go after work and every evening.
- o The Strike Zone Snack Bar: Open daily at 5:00pm. We offer pizza by the slice or by the pie. Call 239-1710. The snack bar also offers regular, fried entrees, hamburgers and salad specials.
- o Summer Leagues Sign up Now. The Bowling Center offers a regular program of bowling from Leagues, Open Bowling and Extreme Bowling.
- Plus a New Program from 5:00-7:00pm. Pick your price, where you bowl and draw a price from the bowl. This is featured everyday.
- Hours of operation:

•	Tuesday	5:00-11:00pm	Open Bowling
•	Wednesday	5:00-11:00pm	Open Bowling
•	Thursday	5:00-11:00pm	Open Bowling
•	Friday	5:00pm-1:00am	(Open Bowling until 10:00pm then Extreme Bowling)
•	Saturday	3:00pm-1:00am	Open Bowling
•	Saturday	4:00-6:00pm	Family Extreme Bowling
•	Saturday	9:00pm-1:00am	Extreme Bowling \$10/person
•	Sunday	5:00-10:00pm	Family Extreme and Open Bowling
•	Sorry, Closed on Mondays		

ITR (Information, Ticketing & Registration) Bldg. 6918 (785) 239-5614

- o ITR offers the following services: Hotel Reservations, Fax Services, Discount Movie Tickets, Vacation Planning, Military Exchange Prepaid Calling Card and Leisure or Commercial Travel such as Airline Tickets and Cruises.
- For more information contact the ITR Office at 239-5614.

Community Recreation

- Arts & Crafts Center Bldg. 6918 (785) 239-9205
 - The Fort Riley Arts & Crafts Center offers a number of open shop usage areas for patrons.

- Usage areas include woodshop, ceramics studios, matting and framing studio, computer lab, photography, stained glass, sewing, quilting, basket weaving and leather.
- Classes are offered in the evenings and on weekends in all program areas. A schedule of upcoming classes is available.
- Open shop activities hours of operation:
 - Monday and Tuesday 1:00-8:30pmWednesday 9:00am-4:30pm
 - Thursday and Fridays Closed
 - Saturday and Sunday 9:00am-4:30pm
 - Most Holidays Closed
 - Please note that the Sales Store hours have been reduced during the deployments. The sales store is now open during the regular open shop hours listed above.
- The Arts & Crafts Center is co-located with ITR in Bldg. 6918 across from the Post Exchange. Call 239-9205 for more information.
- Arts & Crafts offers tours and classes for groups such as coffee groups, FRGs and scouts.
- The woodshop has 4,000 square feet of floor space and all the specialized equipment to complete any project. A large selection of hardwoods, plywood and processed materials are available for purchase.
- The ceramic studio has over 2,000 molds available as well as four potters wheels and five ceramic kilns, making it possible to create finished ceramic ware from scratch.
- The matting and framing studio has a huge selection of mats and frame stock available as well as state of the art equipment. Conservation and preservation mats are available for fine art work pieces. Finish a project in one day with the help of our friendly staff.
- o **The black and white photography lab** offers five enlargers, large sink areas and film and print dryers. Photo supplies are available for purchase.
- The computer lab has two desktop computers with a wide range of graphics and business software. A flatbed color scanner and color laser printer are ready for walk-in use. For a nominal fee, staff will show what programs are available and then you can get to work. You must have previous computer knowledge. Internet access is available for purchase.
- Other studio areas include stained glass, sewing, quilting, basket weaving and leather. Specialized equipment such as sewing machines, zyron and Accu Cut for scrap booking, glass saw and grinders, and engraving equipment are available for walk-in use.
- Services Available includes professional matting and framing, plaques and awards and computer engraving. The center boasts a new laser engraver that rivals any engraving service in the area. Stop by for a free estimate on matting and framing services for your artwork, prints or certificates.
- Stop by for a class schedule.
- Automotive Skills Center Bldg. 7753 Apennines (785) 239-9764
 - The Fort Riley Automotive Skills Center is located in Bldg. 7753, Apennines Dr, next to the 24-hour car wash.
 - The automotive skills center provides state of the art tools and equipment for patrons utilizing the facility.

- Basic and advance automotive repairs for active duty personnel, dependants, retiree, reservists, youth and scouts.
- o Basic automotive repair class first and third Thursday of each month 6:00-7:30pm.
- Advance automotive repair class second and fourth Thursday of each month 6:00-7:30pm.
- Services include four-wheel drive front and rear wheel alignment, air conditioning testing and service, 25-point vehicle safety inspection (\$10 by appointment), and much more.
- o Professional staff of trained mechanics to instruct and assist in self repair projects.
- 15 Vehicle Lift Bays.
- Open bays and lift bays with complete set of tools and roll-around benches for customer use.
- Complete tool room with specialized tools and limited parts store.
- 8 Bay Car Wash with power washers and vacuum cleaners.
- State-of-the-art Paint Booth and Body Shop person for expert advice and instruction.
- Mitchell on-demand technical library available on DVD.
- Check us out so we can check your automotive needs before you pay expensive repair bills.
- We have the latest equipment to perform tests on alternators, batteries, airconditioning, on-board computers, anti-lock brakes and much more.
- On site parts sales store.

Outdoor Recreation Center Bldg. 9011 (785) 239-2363

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday – Friday 9:00am-5:00pm Saturday 8:00am-4:00pm

Sunday, Monday, and Holidays Closed

- Large selection of camping, canoeing, boating and outdoor recreation items for rent.
- Clay Target Shotgun Range Adult & youth 12 or 20 gauge shotguns available for rent for \$5. Targets are \$5 for a round of 25 or shoot 3 rounds for \$10.
- Variety of targets available at the Archery Range. 3-D target (small) \$4/day, 3-D target (large) \$6/day. Try the range from the view of our new tree stand.
- Have fun honing your hunting skills with the Laser Shot Shooting Simulation System. Pricing for group or individual rates. Call 239-2363 for details.
- Earn money for your unit or organization by renting our new movie theater style popcorn machine and selling popcorn. \$8/day

Sports (785) 239-3868

Riley Wheels Skating Rink

- o Friday 8:00 to 10:00pm
- Saturday 6:00 to 8:00pm first session and 8:00 to 10:00pm for the second session. (\$1.25 stay over fee for 2nd session)
- Sunday 2:00 to 4:00pm Family Skate \$6.00 per family for the first six family members and \$1.00 per each additional member. Authorized ID Card holders only!
- Riley Wheels is available for rent for private functions such as birthdays, unit parties, support groups, youth and school groups, scouts, etc. For more information call 239-3764.

Eyster Pool

- o February 9 2004 Sign up for swim lessons
- February 23 March 4 Swimming Lessons

GuppyMonday, Tuesday, Wednesday5:00-5:30pm\$15Level IMonday - Thursday5:30-6:00pm\$20Level IIMonday - Thursday6:15-6:30pm\$20Level IIIMonday - Thursday6:30-7:15 pm\$20

Swimming Lessons will be held at Eyster Pool. Call 239-9441 for more information.

Lifeguard Training

30 January Summer Hire Lifeguard Training Pre-Test
 31 January Summer Hire Lifeguard Training
 01 February Summer Hire Lifeguard Training (cont)
 02 February Summer Hire Lifeguard Training (cont./test)
 3:00-6:00pm
 8:00am-5:00pm
 02 February Summer Hire Lifeguard Training (cont./test)

 This class if free to students 15 yrs of age and older, military family members and also spouses of military personnel. Any questions or comments please call 239-9441.

February 17 & 24 "On Track" Swimming Clinic 8:45-10:45am
 February 20 Teen Pool Party/\$1.00 per student 7:00-10:00pm

Adult Intramural Sports Programs

March 1-5
 Post Company Level Basketball Tournament

Fitness Programs

 Aerobic Classes – Monday & Thursday 5:30-6:00pm Costs are \$2.00 per class or as listed if paid for in advance.

January \$10.50/reg for month
 February \$10.50/reg for month
 March \$10.50/reg for month

** No class on January 19, February 16 and March 22 & 25 due to holidays There must be at least 6 registered members for the month, otherwise class will be cancelled.

Train for the Prairie

O Have you ever wanted to run 2-5 miles and thought you just couldn't do it? The Fitness Dept will begin a 2 and 5 mile training beginning in March. The participants that train for the duration will have the opportunity to run in the 10-5-2 Prairie Run (held in late July) at no cost and upon doing so will receive a Prairie Run T-shirt at no cost. Register by calling 239-2813 or coming by the Fitness office at King Field House, Bldg 202. Deadline for scheduling purposes will be February 20, 2004. Schedules will be determined by the needs of the majority of registrants.

The goal of this program is to encourage and motivate its participants to achieve a sense of self-accomplishment. Our focus will be to **Finish!**

Personal training sessions are available and limited. The Fort Riley Fitness
Departments personal trainer is able to provide body fat analysis and assist you
with your fitness goals. Call and schedule your appointments as soon as
possible. Please call the Sports Dept. 239-3146 for additional information.

Childcare at King Field House

 Childcare is now available at King Field House Fitness Center Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:45-10:45am. Slots are limited and must be reserved and paid for in advance. Register at the Sports Dept. between 8:00-12:00am and 1:00-4:00pm Monday-Friday. Parents must remain on site while using childcare. "Get <u>On Track</u> and stay <u>On Track</u>" with the weekly support and guidance session, Fort Riley Fitness "On Track", is available. Check out the line up to see which sessions would interest you and call 239-2813 to register! All sessions will begin at 9:00am at the <u>King Field House Fitness Center</u> (excluding swimming-to be announced- call for info)

January 27 Weight training

February 3
 Diet and Nutrition tips and ideas

February 10
 Abs and Back focus

February 17
 February 24
 Guidance to Lap Swimming
 Guidance to Lap Swimming

• FRGs, coffee groups, support groups and individuals can call the Fitness
Department for all of your fitness needs. We're here to help you obtain your goals!
Please call the Sports Department at 239-2813 for additional information.

Soldier and Family Support Center (785) 239-9435

- Community Life Activities
 - Volunteer Appreciation Week 12-16 April Theme for this year is "Volunteers:
 Keeping Fort Riley's Homefront Strong and Steady
 - Hours and Nominations for Volunteer of the Year are due by 18 February 2004. Turn them in at Soldier and Family Support Center. For more information, please contact Installation Volunteer Coordinator at 239-9435.
- Relocation/Family Readiness

o Newcomers' Orientation: 8:30am-2:30pm 23 January

13 February 27 February

o PCS Briefings: 1:30-3:00pm Stateside - 28 January

Korea - 4 February Germany - 11 February Overseas - 18 February Stateside – 25 February

- Weekly Activity Day for Spouses of Deployed Soldiers –Due to reduced attendance the weekly activity day for Spouses of Deployed Soldiers will only be scheduled twice a month. The sessions will usually be held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays unless there is a holiday. Classes are held at the Soldier and Family Support Center, Bldg. 7264 12:00-3:00pm. Free Childcare/6 weeks to 5yrs. (please bring shot records/ snack is provided) Parent must stay in the center. For additional information contact Family Readiness Center Coordinator at 239-9435.
- February 9 Preparing for the Homecoming Have you attended the Reunion Briefing but still have questions and concerns? Come hear and talk to the panel of experts (including other spouses)
- February 23 Monthly Support Group A support group lead by licensed social workers is held during this time.
- Help is always available Does the deployment have your emotions going up and down like a roller coaster? Contact Fort Riley Army Community Service-239-9435, Chaplain Help Line- 263-HELP(4357), or Army One Source-24 hour Help Line 1-800-464-8107.
- Soldier & Family Member Deployment Preparation Briefings are conducted in conjunction with the TSIRTS training to prepare soldiers and family members for separation issues prior to deployment. Briefings are usually held every other Friday (except training holidays) at the Soldier and Family Support Center, Bldg.

7264 Custer Hill. The 2nd quarter briefings will be held on the following dates: **23 January-6 and 20 February.** Points of Contact - 239-9435.

28 January (Wednesday) 6:30-8:30pm Soldier & Family Support Center
This class provides training on the basics of being an FRG Leader. Information
and training will be provided on: the responsibilities of an FRG Leader, the goals of
an FRG, supporting the military mission, effective ways of communicating with
family members, the importance of distributing accurate information and
maintaining confidentiality, volunteer positions and opportunities within the FRG
and more. A representative will also provide information on the rules of fund
raising and maintaining FRG funds. The training is primarily for newly appointed
FRG Leaders but anyone in the FRG may also attend. Registration is not
required. Childcare is available for those attending.

Family Readiness Group Point of Contact (POC) Volunteer Training 4 February (Wednesday) 6:30-8:30pm

This class provides training on the basics of being a Family Readiness Group - Point of Contact (POC) volunteer. Information and training will be provided on: the roles, responsibilities and expectations of a POC leader. The session will also cover the importance of communicating with family members, distributing accurate information and maintaining confidentiality. Registration is not required. Childcare is available for those attending. If you have any questions please contact 239-9435.

Army Family Action Plan (AFAP)

- The Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) 2003 conference issues were presented to the Garrison Commander's Steering Committee in December and assigned to the responsible agency to be addressed. The status of the issues will be updated at the March 4, 2004, committee meeting. If you are interested in the status of any issue feel free to contact the Program Manager at 239-9435, Soldier & Family Support Center Building 7264.
- o It is never too early to submit issues. If you see or experience something that needs attention/improvement, call it in or write it down and send it to the AFAP Program Manager at the Soldier & Family Support Center, Bldg 7264, Fort Riley 66442. The next installation conference will be in Oct 04. Fort Riley cannot fix a problem if we do not know there is one. Please feel free to submit issues between now and October.

Army Family Team Building (AFTB)

If you are new to the Fort Riley area and are interested in learning about resources that are available to you or find that everyone is speaking another language that sounds more like the alphabet than words, then you could benefit from the Army Family Team Building (AFTB) Level One classes. The AFTB classes are scheduled through the end of March 04. You can access the schedule by the Fort Riley web page or call the Program Manager at 239-9435.

Level One and Level Two classes are offered at the Armed Services YMCA in Junction City on designated Fridays 11:00am-2:00pm with free childcare on site. You *must* contact the AFTB Program Manager to enroll your children prior to attending any classes. For more information or to speak to the Program Manager please call 239-9435. Level Two and Three evening classes are given at the Soldier and Family Support Center and are open to everyone. There is no childcare provided for the evening classes.

o If you, your unit/battalion, Family Readiness Group or other group would like to schedule separate Level I, II or III classes, please contact the Program Manager. These classes can be held at your location or at the Soldier and Family Support Center. There is a minimum of five people required to hold a class and two weeks notice is needed for planning.

Child and Youth Services (CYS) (785) 239-9173

- · CYS programs will be closed on the following Federal Holidays:
 - 16 February President's Day
- Instructional Classes Registration for all classes is from 9:00am-1:00pm Monday-Thursday at Child and Youth Services, Bldg. 6620 at the Central Enrollment Registry (CER). Enrollments will be taken when there are openings. A waiting list will be established for classes when there are no current openings. We offer Dance, Gymnastics, Martial Arts, Piano, and Cheerleading classes. An annual sport physical is required for all instructional classes (except piano). A health assessment may be used if it is marked "cleared for all sports".
 - Gymnastics: Cost: \$25 per month and \$35 per month for Exhibition Team.
 Classes meet at Fort Riley Teen Center.

5:00-6:00pm	5-7 yrs
6:00-7:00pm	7-9 yrs
7:00-8:00pm	10-15 yrs
5:00-6:00pm	4-6 yrs
6:00-7:00pm	4-6 yrs
7:00-8:00pm	6-8 yrs
5:00-6:00pm	3-5 yrs
6:00-7:30pm	Exhibition Class
	6:00-7:00pm 7:00-8:00pm 5:00-6:00pm 6:00-7:00pm 7:00-8:00pm 5:00-6:00pm

 Martial Arts: Cost: \$25 per month. Classes are held on Saturday at the Teen Center gymnasium, Bldg. 5800, Fort Riley.

Pre-School Entry 3-5 yrs (not in Kindergarten) 10:00-11:00am
Beginner Level Kindergarten-18 yrs 11:30am-1:00pm
Advanced Level Kindergarten-18 yrs 2:00-4:00pm

- Piano: Instructor has a BS in Music Education and has taught classroom and individual lessons for 8 years. Cost: \$45 per month for weekly 30 min. lessons, which will be held in the music room at the Fort Riley Teen Center, Bldg. 5800.
- Cheerleading: Classes are held on Thursday at the Fort Riley Teen Center dance studio, Bldg. 5800. Students will cheer at the Fort Riley Youth Sports basketball games held on post. Boys and girls ages 6-14 are eligible to enroll. Classes will end in mid-March 2004 for the season. Next classes will be summer cheerleading camps or clinics, as announced, with regular classes resuming September 2004.

Thursday: 5:00-5:50pm 5-8 years 6:00-6:50pm 9-14 years 7:00-7:50pm 9-14 years

Dance: Ballet, Tap, Jazz, and Lyrical classes will be held at the Fort Riley Teen Center dance studio on Wednesday after school and evening. Cost: \$25 per month for 50-minute lesson once per week. Recitals are held at Christmas and in the spring, and public performances are held throughout the year. Boys and girls 3-18 years are eligible to enroll. Classes are held at the Teen Center, Bldg. 5800

> 5:00-5:50pm 6-8years Ballet and Tap 6:00-6:50pm 3-4years Ballet and Tap

7:00-7:50pm 5-6years Ballet and Tap

Red Cross Babysitting Course

- Upcoming classes: February 7 at Bldg. 5800.
- Cost is \$10. Call CER for more information at 239-4847
- Youth must be 11 years and older
- All youth (12 years and older) who successfully complete the course are eligible to be included on the Fort Riley Teen Babysitter Referral List, with parental permission.
- Central Enrollment Registry (CER) Bldg. 6620 on Normandy Avenue
 - Must be registered in CYS to participate in CYS programs
 - o Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 8:30am-5:30pm and Friday 1:00-5:30pm
 - Annual registration fee is \$15 per child, or \$35 per family
 - CYS registration may be transferred to a new duty station upon PCS
 - Contact CER at 239-4847, for information, or make an appointment to enroll in CYS
- Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meets first Friday of each month from 4:00-5:00pm in Bldg. 6620 training room. All parents are encouraged to attend. Agenda includes program updates and parent information. Patrons receive a 10% discount after attending three meetings. Call Outreach Services at 239-9850 for additional information
- Child Development Center (CDC) is accredited by the National Association for the Education for Young Children (NAEYC)
 - Hours of Operations are from 6:00am to 6:00pm
 - Serve children ages 6 weeks to Kindergarten
 - o Full-day, part-day preschool and hourly care is available
 - Free hourly care is available for families of deployed soldiers on 7 and 21 February. Children between 6 weeks of age and Kindergarten will receive free care at the CDC from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Lunch will be served to the children at 11:30am. Children must be registered with CYS to participate in this program, and must make a reservation by noon on the Thursday prior to the Saturday opening.
- Family Child Care consists of care offered in on-post quarters by a military family member who meets FCC certification requirements. Homes are inspected and monitored regularly. Adult family members must pass background checks.
 - Hours of Operation are from 6:00am to 6:00pm, with the ability to offer extended and overnight care in the evenings and on weekends for duty related needs. FCC providers offer flexible hours that may better meet the needs of those requiring child care for extended periods, and for shift workers.
 - Serve children 4 weeks to 12 years of age
 - o Full-day, part-day, and hourly care available
 - o Small group setting with home atmosphere
- Family Child Care Home Certification An FCC orientation is held on the first Thursday of each month for people interested in becoming an FCC provider. The orientation is from 2:30-4:00pm in Bldg. 6620. For more information, call the FCC Director at 239-9892. Three Fort Riley FCC homes recently achieved Military Home Accreditation status.
- School Age Services is accredited by the National School Age Care Alliance (NSACA).
 - Hours of Operations are from 6:00am to 6:00pm
 - o Before and after school program for grades Kindergarten-5th grade
 - Transportation provided to and from on-post schools. "Transportation is not provided for Hourly Care students"

- Breakfast is served up to 8:00am
- Open Recreation (hourly care)
 - Available for children in 1-5th grade
 - Monday-Friday from 3:30-6:00pm on school days, 1:30-6:00pm on school earlyout days and 6:00am-6:00pm on no-school days
 - o Parents must provide transportation and reservations are suggested
 - Free hourly care is available for families of deployed soldiers on 7 and 21 February. Children who are in Kindergarten through 5th grade may receive free care at SAS from 10:00am to 1:00pm. Lunch will be served to the children at 11:30am. Children must be registered with CYS to participate in this program, and must make a reservation by noon on the Thursday prior to the Saturday opening.
 - Children eligible for School Age Services, who are registered with CYS, are also eligible to receive 5 hours of free Open Recreation each month. Reservations are recommended. Call CYS at 239-9478 for more information.

Middle School and Teen Program

- Activities are held at the Fort Riley Teen Center, Bldg. 5800, corner of Thomas and Longstreet, 239-9222.
- Teen Center Activities Fitness room and Gymnasium open every day after school. 4H projects, Art projects, Photography offered weekly. Homework room/time available every day after school from 3:30-5:00pm
- January Teen Center Activities

•	23 January	Middle School Dance	8:00-10:30pm
•	24 January	High School Dance	9:00-11:30pm
•	31 January	Midnight Basketball	9:00pm-midnight

February Teen Center Activities

•	6 February	Skate Party	8:00-10:00pm
•	7 February	Babysitting Class	9:00am-3:00pm
•	7 February	Mall Trip	3:00-8:00pm
•	13 February	Middle School Dance	8:00-10:30pm
•	14 February	High School Dance	9:00-11:30pm
•	16 February	Closed	
•	20 February	Pool Party	7:00-10:00pm
•	21 February	Family Potluck	6:30pm
•	27 February	Middle School Dance	8:00-10:30pm
•	28 February	High School Dance	9:00-11:30pm

 Youth Sports Enrollment for Spring Soccer will be 17 February - 5 March 2004 at CER Bldg. 6620 from 1:00-5:00pm. (walk-in). Spring Soccer is open to boys and girls in Kindergarten thru 8th grade.

Youth must register with CYS and have a sports physical dated after 15 May 2003. Cost is \$20 per youth. If you are interested in coaching a team, please contact the Youth Sports Director at 239-9223.

School Liaison Officer - 239-1558

- POC for school related information and services
- o Office hours are 8:00am-5:00pm, Monday-Friday in Bldg. 6620, Normandy Drive
- Sign up for School Liaison Office In Touch for updates on school related topics.
- USD 475 (Geary County-Junction City, Fort Riley, Milford, and Grandview Plaza) website: http://www.usd475.org Tel: 785-238-6184
 February 4^{th -} End of 4th 6 week period.

February 19-26: Conferences will be held. Check with your child's school for specific days of conferences and other no school days, as schedules vary by grade level.

February 19-No KDGN

USD 383 (Manhattan-Ogden) website: http://www.usd383.org Tel: 785-587-2000

February 6- No School-Professional Dev Day

February 9 & 11-EMS Parent/Teacher Conferences

February 10 & 11-AMS Parent/Teacher Conferences

February 13-No school EMS and AMS only

February 18 & 19-MHS Parent/Teacher Conferences

February 20-No School – MHS only

February 20-Early Release for Elementary Students

Fort Riley University 239-6481

• Education Division

- o Fort Riley has four on-post colleges and universities that offer a wide variety of college majors. These schools offer certificate programs, associate degree programs, bachelor degree programs and master degree programs. The on-post colleges and universities offer five 8-week terms every year. The next term begins March 29 and the enrollment period for the March term begins February 17. The schools and their degree levels are listed below. For additional information or to enroll in a college program, see an Army Education Counselor at Bldg. 217, 7604, or 7656. Sign up for In-Touch on the Fort Riley Homepage and we will send you notification of class schedules as soon as they are published for future terms.
- o Barton County Community College certificate and associate degree programs
- Central Texas College certificate and associate degree programs
- o Upper Iowa University certificate and bachelor degree programs
- Central Michigan University master degree programs

Army Career and Alumni Program (ACAP)

The Army Career and Alumni program is sponsoring a Job Fair from 9:00am-1:00pm February 6th in the ACAP Center on Main Post, Bldg. 210, Room 207, Custer Avenue, Fort Riley, Kansas. There will be local, national, and international employers present to talk with and interview prospective employees. Updated lists are available for review in the ACAP Center. This is a great opportunity to visit with employers and sell them on the skills and experience you have to offer. Come prepared, research the companies, bring your resume (if not ready, come anyway, and provide your resume to the employer later), and dress appropriately. Mark your calendars so you will not miss this golden opportunity.

For more information including the list of attending employers visit or call the ACAP Center, Bldg. 210, 239-2278 or check the ACAP site on the Fort Riley website.

Installation Chapel Office

- The National Prayer Luncheon will be March 17th at King Field House Fitness Center from 11:45-1:00pm. The Deputy Chief of Chaplains, will be the guest speaker.
- Easter Sunrise Service is on Sunday, April 11th at the Morris Hill Chapel. The service will begin at 6:30 am. A breakfast brunch will be served immediately following the service.
- Christian Concert and Seminar Series Fort Riley, Kansas

- Friday, February 20, 2004, 7:00pm, Morris Hill Chapel
 S & P Luchsinger (Country, Cowboy, Western Christian Music)
- Saturday, February 21, 2004, 9:00am, Morris Hill Chapel
 S & P Luchsinger, Marriage Enrichment Seminar
- Saturday, March 6, 2004, 9:00am, Morris Hill Chapel Wives of Warriors, Marriage Enrichment Seminar
- Friday, April 16, 2004, 7:00pm, Morris Hill Chapel
 T Kaufman (Conservative Contemporary Music)
- Saturday, April 17, 2004, 9:00am, Morris Hill Chapel T Kaufman, Man's Seminar
- Friday, May 14, 2004, 7:00pm, Morris Hill Chapel
 D Holm (Contemporary Christian Music Singer and Songwriter)
- Saturday, May 15, 2004, 9:00am, Morris Hill Chapel
 D Ericson, Parenting and Marriage Enrichment Seminar
 "Training your dog and your child to obey"
- Friday, June 18, 2004, 7:00pm, Morris Hill Chapel Journey Bound Quartet (Southern Gospel Music)
- Saturday, June 19, 2004, 9:00am, Morris Hill Chapel Dr. Willis, Marriage Enrichment Seminar

Military Council of Catholic Women (MCCW)

- Everyone (male and female) is invited to join us for our weekly Faith Sharing Program. It is held every Monday immediately following daily noon mass at the Hospital Chapel located on the second floor of Irwin Army Hospital. We will be looking at a book titled <u>An Invitation to Catholicism</u>. Copies of this book can be obtained at Morris Hill Chapel or at the weekly meeting. Please call 239-4815 for more information.
- MCCW is looking for volunteers to help with another chapel cleaning project. We will be sprucing up the large meeting room in the basement of St. Mary's Chapel. If you are interested in lending your talents to this project please contact 784-6047.

Staff Judge Advocate

Tax Center opens January 21, 2004

- The Fort Riley Tax Center is opening earlier this year. Because soldiers, retirees and their family members are receiving W-2's earlier, the Grand Opening for the Tax Center has been moved up to **January 21, 2004**.
- The Tax Center offers free preparation and electronic filing of Federal Tax returns for soldiers, retirees and their family members. By filing electronically you can have your refund deposited directly in your bank account in approximately 10 days. A soldier filing a 1040EZ can usually save \$120 by utilizing the free Tax Center services.
- The Tax Center is in Bldg. 7034, which is behind 1st Brigade Headquarters on Custer Hill. The Tax Center will be open from January 21st to approximately April 15th. Office hours are 9:00am to 5:00pm on Monday through Thursday, 9:00am to 6:00pm on Friday, and 10:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday. Call 239-1040 to schedule an appointment.
- Start gathering your documents together now. You will need last year's tax return, this year's W-2's, 1099's, and proof of any other income. The Unit Tax Advisors at each unit can assist soldiers in preparing their return and will be available to answer most questions. People with more complicated returns will be directed to

call the Tax Center, 239-1040, to schedule an appointment. Ensuring that you have all your paperwork will help the Tax Center staff promptly and efficiently file your Federal and State taxes.

G5/Strategic Planning Office

- Use ICE to help us serve you better. ICE (Interactive Customer Evaluation) is a web based customer feedback system. You can provide an evaluation of more than 170 services on Fort Riley or communicate directly with the manager of a service via ICE.
- You can access ICE several ways. The quickest is to click on the ICE link on the sidebar of the Fort Riley home page (www.riley.army.mil). You may also access our site via the ICE homepage (http://ice.disa.mil) and then drill down through the map to Fort Riley. In either case, you will reach a search page listing categories of service. The names of the organizations you can rate will appear when you click on the service category. The comment card will come up when you click on a service name. At the bottom of the comment card you will also find a dialogue box in which you can enter comments. Your comments are most valuable to our service providers. If you wish to see how others have rated a service in the past 90 days, click on the "Report" box. General information about the service can be obtained by clicking on the "Info" balloon.
- ICE is a worldwide customer feedback system supported by the DOD Office of Quality Management. You will find all branches of service and installations worldwide whose services you can rate or see how others have rated them. This may be important to you if you have been TDY and wish to rate services received or if you are going to another installation and want to know how users evaluate a service.
- ICE is administered by the Plans, Analysis & Integration Office at Fort Riley. If you have questions about this service or wish to develop a comment card for your organization please call Betty Banner 239-2540.

Provost Marshal Office

- <u>Bicycle Registration:</u> The Ft. Riley Military Police Community Police section has a bicycle registration program, which could possible aid in the return of your bicycle if it were lost or stolen. The process is easy. Just follow the steps outlined below:
 - Contact one of the Community Police Team members and request a scheduled time and date to register your bicycles. (239-6767)
 - o Provide your name and address so we may come to your quarters.
 - Have all of your bicycles present during the scheduled time.
 - Complete the requested information on the provided form.
 - Place the decal on your bicycle.
- School Speed Zone Reminder: The children of the Fort Riley community are back to school and the PMO would like to remind drivers that the speed limit while in the zone is 20 mph when flashing between the hours of (7:45-8:30am, 11:05-11:45am, 3:15-3:45pm) Please drive safely.

Directorate of Public Works

• Smoking in Quarters - Residents of government quarters may smoke in their homes; however, heavy cigarette smoking and burning candles can stain walls and ceiling. It is noticeable when hanging objects are removed from the walls, revealing white or unstained areas. Smoke stains bleed through paint: therefore a sealant must be applied before the room can be painted. The charge for the sealant is passed to the occupant. This damage is generally limited to quarters of heavy smokers.

- Renter's Insurance All occupants are encouraged to obtain renter's insurance when
 residing on or off post. Insurance is mandatory for tenants with waterbeds. Besides
 covering losses of personal property, Renter's Insurance will cover the cost of repairing
 quarters in the event of damage caused by the negligence such as kitchen fires due to
 unattended cooking. Renter's Insurance is reasonably priced and available through most
 insurance companies.
- Temperature Monitors The Self-Help Store now has a device that can warn house watchers and neighbors when the temperature in a set of quarters is falling due to a failed heating system. The device is called a watchman. The watchman has a thermostat attached to a light that clips to the window ceil. If the temperature drops below a set temperature the red light bulb flashes alerting passersby of a problem. This device is to be used in conjunction with the House watch program. All residents are responsible to notify the Housing Office of any extended absences from their quarters.
- **Sledding** When sledding do not forget to respect the yards of other residents. Each winter we receive reports of sledders damaging houses, air conditioning units and cars because they did not stop at the boundaries of another resident's yard. For the safety of all, this sport should only be practiced away from the quarters. Careless sledders can be held financially responsible for damages to housing property.
- Presidents Day Holiday Trash/Recycle Collection Schedule: Trash/recycle collection schedule for the week of 16-20 February in observance of the Presidents Day holiday is as follows:
 - Monday: No pickup, Presidents Day holiday.
 - Tuesday: Colyer Manor, Main Post, and Marshall Field.
 - Wednesday: Ellis Heights, O' Donnell Heights, and Peterson Heights (north of Thomas Avenue). Dumpsters at Bldgs. 27, 28, 45, 470, 471, 540, 541, 620, 510, and 5309.
 - Thursday: Warner Heights and Burnside Heights. (No change from regular schedule.)
 - Friday: Meade Heights, McClellan Heights, South Warner Heights, and Peterson Heights (south of Thomas Avenue). (No change from regular schedule.)
 - Trash carts must be set out on the morning of the scheduled pickup no later than 7:30am and must be placed on the curb. The contractor is required to return them to the same spot. Those occupants on Main Post who have trash enclosures next to the curb do not have to set them outside of the enclosure.
 - Holiday collection schedules are also posted on the Fort Riley internet web page two weeks prior to, and the week of, all federal holidays
- Energy Conservation Authorized thermostat settings during the heating season are 65 to 68 degrees. Remember to keep exterior doors and windows closed to help the heating system keep the quarters warm. Please turn off computer monitors, appliances and lights when not needed. Funds saved in the energy account go to improving the quality of life for soldiers and families
- Recycling Reminder All on-post housing occupants are reminded of their responsibility to recycle to the extent possible. All recyclables except yard waste and large pieces of cardboard are to be placed in the Blue recycle bags and placed next to your trash containers the day of your scheduled pick-up. The blue recycle bags and a Resident User's Guide are issued at the time of assignment of the quarters, and additional bags can be obtained at no cost at the self help store. Please do not use the blue recycle bags for everyday trash or non-recycled items. Information on the recycling procedures are in the Resident User's Guide and in the Housing Handbook, page 48.

Smoke Detectors in Quarters:

- Smoke detectors can save lives. Residents are responsible for ensuring they are in good working order.
- o **Never** remove the backup batteries from the detectors to use for other purposes.
- Never remove the detectors from the ceilings.
- Replace the batteries when the detectors start beeping. That is the warning sound for expired batteries. Replacement can be done by occupants or as a service order.

Extension Cords:

- Replace all extension cords after two or three years. Most cords are not intended for long-term use, so inspect them annually. If a cord frays or feels soft in any spot, throw it away.
- Extension cords should always lie flat and straight. A bent cord will overheat at the kink, destroying the insulation over time.
- Never put a cord under a rug or carpeting. Constant traffic will also wear away the cord's insulation.
- Never put more than two plugs into any extension cord. Although some cords can receive three or more plugs, you run the risk of overloading the circuit and starting a fire
- Connecting a device that draws more power than your extension cord can handle will strain the device and overheat the cord.
- Be cautious with appliances. Unplug small appliances, such as toasters, irons and coffee makers, when not in use. An appliance left plugged into a wall socket may cause a fire if turned on accidentally by a child or pet.
- Do not use extension cords with refrigerators, air conditioners, washing machines and other heavy-duty appliances. Plug them directly into wall sockets.

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•	21 January	CAC
•	Jan/Feb	1-41 IN continues its Quick Reaction Force (QRF) Mission
•	6-30 January	1-41 IN Gunnery
•	January	82D Medical Company (Air Ambulance) continues to prepare to deploy to Iraq
•	28 January	Post retirement Ceremony
•	February	82D Med deploys to Iraq
•	9-11 February	(T) - 1-41 IN QRF Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise (EDRE)
•	12 February	Black History Observance
•	13-16 February	Training/Federal Holiday for Presidents Day Weekend
•	17-28 February	2-34 AR Co STX
•	End of February	3BCT and 937 EN start redeployment to Fort Riley

American Red Cross

18 February

 Our hours of operation are 7:30am-4:00pm Monday-Friday. We are open on training holidays unless otherwise posted on the front door of Bldg. 7264. 24-hour phone number for Red Cross Emergency Assistance is 1-877-272-7337. Our office is located in Bldg. 7264 Soldier & Family Support Center. Phone number to main office is 239-1887; the Station Manager 239-1837 and our FAX is 239-1812.

CAC

- Numerous volunteer opportunities are still available within Red Cross at Irwin Army Community Hospital, the JAG Office, Mother's Outreach, Summer Youth Program, and Leadership positions on the Advisory Board. The Red Cross orientations are held the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. For further information or to register for the orientation, please contact our office @ 239-1887 or stop by Bldg. 7264.
- CPR & First Aid Classes: Junction City will hold class on the 21st of February from 8:00am-5:00pm. At the Junction City Chapter at 626 N. Washington St. Cost of class will be \$40.00, which includes the manual. To pre register call 238-3163.
- CPR & First Aid Classes: Manhattan Red Cross will be held on the 3rd/5th of February at 5:30pm, February 17th/19th 5:30pm, March 9th/11th 5:30pm, and March 16th/18th 5:30pm. Cost of the class is \$50.00. To pre-register call 1-800-211-6452.

Girl Scouts

Girl Scouts will start taking cookie orders January 9th-January 21st. The cookies will
arrive in the third week of February. We will be having booth sales at the PX from
February 21st-March 15th. There is a new cookie this year, called the Pinata with a
strawberry filling. Also, the price of cookies has gone up to \$3.50 per box. If you have any
questions, please contact 210-1208.

Armed Services YMCA (ASYMCA):

The ASYMCA will be closed on Monday, February 16, 2004 in observance of President's Day **New at the ASYMCA!**

- Creative Memories Scrapbooking every third Friday of the month, beginning in February.
 - Put your children on our Friday Night Out childcare program from 5:30-10:00pm and come to our Creative Memories Scrapbooking session. Scrapbooking will be held in the back room.
 - For \$5.00 you can scrapbook using all the tools and accessories of Creative Memories Consultant Lisa Hunter. Dinner will also be included.
- Take advantage of our childcare programs:
- Mom's Morning Out
 - Tuesday Mornings 8:30am-12:00pm
 - o \$6 per child
 - o \$6.75 per child under 2.
- Mid Week Break
 - Wednesdays 10:30am-3:00pm
 - You must provide a sack lunch and a snack for your children.
 - \$7.00 1st child
 - \$7.75 for children under 2
 - \$6.25 per additional child
 - o \$6.50 per additional child under 2

Parent's Day Out

- o Fridays 11:00am-2:00pm
- You must provide a sack lunch for your children.
- o \$5.50 1st child.
- o \$6.25 for children under 2
- \$3.75 per additional child
- \$4.50 per additional child under 2.

Friday Night Out

o 5:30-10:00pm

- o 5:30-6:30pm Dinner Hour
- o \$6.00 1st Child
- o \$6.75 for children under 2
- o \$4.25 additional child
- \$4.50 per additional child under 2
- o Additional \$1 charge for dinner hour. You must provide dinner for your children.
- Reservations are required for all childcare programs.
- The ASYMCA also offers Aerobics Classes five times per week. Childcare is available
 for all classes at \$1.00 per child. No Reservations Needed! (We must have up to date
 shot records on all children).
 - \$2.00 per class for walk-ins or you may purchase a Punch Card for savings.
- Classes are:
 - Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00-10:00am
 - Tuesday/Thursday 6:00-7:00pm
 - 45 minutes of Step Aerobics/15 minutes of toning.
 - Fridays Body Toning or Circuits.
- The ASYMCA is available for your FRG Meetings. Call to schedule.
- For more information call 238-2972 or stop by the ASYMCA at 111 East 16th Street, Junction City.

Thrift Shop

- Renewed Check Policy Personal checks will no longer be accepted. Carr Hall (Housing) offers the nearest ATM.
- Hours of Operation Bldg. 267, Stuart Avenue(next to the stables)
 - o 9:30am-2:30pm Tuesday & Wednesday.
 - o 9:30am-6:00pm Extended hours on Thursday
 - o Saturday. February 7th 10:00am-1:00pm
- <u>Consignors and Volunteers</u> Items for consignment are accepted on Tuesdays; donations are accepted everyday. For more information on needed items or to schedule a pickup for large items, please call **784-3874**. Volunteers are always appreciated. Benefits include childcare reimbursement, first pick and discounts on donated items and a funworking atmosphere!

Historical and Archaeological Society of Fort Riley (HASFR)

 The deadline for submitting HASFR's Community Assistance applications is 31 January. Applications are available at the CAC and at 87 Schofield Circle. Point of contact is Joanne Gulotta, 784-4922.

Enlisted Spouses Club (ESC)

- The Enlisted Spouses Club (ESC) is open to all Enlisted spouses: active duty, retirees or widowed service members. ESC builds support among spouses while assisting the Ft Riley and surrounding community through the sponsorship of community and welfare activities. In addition, we will be doing many fun events among the membership.
 For more information you can use the ESC e-mail ftrileyesc@yahoo.com.
- Our meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month at Armed Services YMCA located at 111 E. 16th St. in Junction City. On site childcare is provided at membership meetings for a donation. To make childcare reservations please call 494-2094 or 784-3191.

- Other then the normal info January 28th 7:00pm at ASYMCA General Membership meeting. The guest Speakers will be a Nutritionist and Personal Trainer. Childcare reservations are due by the 26th to 784-8306 or 784-3191.
- February 25th 6:30 at ASYMCA General Membership meeting. The Theme will be a Pamper Me Night. Childcare reservations are due no later then Feb 23rd to 784-8306 or 784-3191.

Officers' and Civilians' Spouses' Club (OCSC)

- Our Golden 50th Anniversary Celebration of OCSC will be held Friday, February 27, 2004 from 6:30 until 9:30pm at the US Cavalry Museum on Fort Riley. The menu will include heavy appetizers and dessert. Reservations are required. Please see the flyer on the back table for more details.
- FRG/Private Organization Food Booth opportunity drawings will be held for the OCSC Spring Bazaar after the February CAC meeting. The Spring Bazaar will be held on Saturday, April 3, 2004 from 9:00am until 5:00pm and Sunday, April 4, 2004 from 11:00am until 4:00pm. There will be separate drawings for each day. Please contact 537-7781 for more information. Applications are available on the back table today and will be available the day of the drawing.
- We are actively seeking volunteers to help us out with the Spring Bazaar. We need chair
 persons for the following positions: Volunteer Coordinator; Publicity Co-chair; Food Court
 Coordinator; Opportunity Coordinator; Door Prize Coordinator; Kid's Corner; Set-Up;
 Clean-Up; and Vendor Coordinator. We will also need volunteers to help out in a variety
 of other areas both before the show and on the days of the show. Please contact 5377781 to sign up.
- OCSC is currently accepting nominations for the 2004-2005 Board Year. Please consider volunteering your time for this very important and worthwhile organization. Please contact 784-4540 to make your nomination.

The Shoppe

- OCSC & The Shoppe is excited to announce a new partnership with the U.S. Cavalry
 Museum. The Shoppe will take over running the museum gift shop in February 2004. As
 always all proceeds will be distributed to the community through the OCSC Community
 Assistance fund. In addition, a portion of our proceeds will now be given to the U.S.
 Cavalry Museum to support their programs.
- The Shoppe will be closed in its current location of Bldg. 259 (near CIF) on January 31, 2004 at 3:00pm. Come in now...many items are currently being marked down as we prepare to move to our new location. Shoppe hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday from 10:00am until 2:00pm; Saturdays from 11:00am until 3:00pm.
- 2004 marks the 20th Anniversary of the The Shoppe. We will be combining the celebration of the occasion with the 50th anniversary of OCSC. See above comments.
- Volunteer opportunities are always available at The Shoppe. We need your support now more than ever before, as The Shoppe will be expanding hours to fit the museum hours of operation. Limited childcare reimbursement is available. Please contact 784-4440 or 784-4468 to sign up.

Commissary

 Scholarship Applications Available for Military Children. Don't wait too long to find out if you qualify for a \$1,500 scholarship. The 2004 Scholarships for Military Children program, administered by the Fisher House Foundation, is now under way. This year the

- program administrator, Fisher House Foundation, set up a dedicated Web page at http://www.militaryscholar.org. The new site has information about the program and a donation page. The site will be "live" year-round, and it is also accessible through a link at http://www.commissaries.com. The application period for the 2004 scholarship program began Nov. 3 and ends Feb. 18, 2004.
- Commissaries respond to reports of "mad cow" disease. In response to news reports concerning an incident of "mad cow" disease, the Defense Commissary Agency has issued a response. "We are always very concerned about our customers' safety," said Col. Mark Wolken, chief of public health, safety and security for DeCA. "We are taking every action to make sure our stores and customers are informed about the situation, but I can't emphasize enough that we will continue to follow the USDA lead on any further action to insure the beef in our stores is safe," he said. Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman announced Dec. 23 that the U.S. Department of Agriculture has diagnosed a presumptive positive case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), also known as "mad cow" disease in an adult Holstein cow in the state of Washington. "Despite this finding, we remain confident in the safety of our beef supply," Veneman said. "All beef sold in commissaries is USDA inspected and all commissaries follow USDA guidance," said Wolken. As always, customers who wish to return products they have purchased in a commissary for a full refund may do so without question.
- Customers should check the Food Safety link on <u>www.commissaries.com</u>
 <u>http://www.commissaries.com</u>
 for the latest news on the situation as well as links to fact sheets and the latest information from the USDA.

Army and Air Force Exchange Services

Directorate of Environment and Safety (DES)

Veterinary Services

Boy Scouts

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) (785) 239-8147

National Military Family Association

Junction City Chamber of Commerce

Manhattan Chamber of Commerce

USD 475

USD 383

The next Community Action Council will be held at 9:30am Wednesday, February 18, 2004
SOLDIER and FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER
BLDG. 7264, Custer Hill
"America's Warfighting Center"

Announcements for the next "Riley Bugle Call" are due by close of business 10 February 2004 to the Community Life Coordinator, Building 7264, 239-9435. Email to site2665@riley.army.mil

The CAC is shown four times daily on Channel 2, for four days following the CAC. The times are 8:30a.m. 12:30p.m. 6:30p.m. and 10:30p.m.

SCHEDULE FOR 2004

18 February 9:30a.m.

17 March 7:00p.m.

21 April 9:30a.m.

19 May 9:30a.m.

16 June 7:00p.m.

21 July 9:30a.m.

18 August 9:30a.m.

15 September 7:00p.m.